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(590.044)FERENCE & ASSOCIATES  
*Request for Continued Examination***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Eide  
Serial No. : 09/821,404 Examiner : J. Wozniak  
Filed : March 29, 2001 Group Art Unit : 2655  
For : SPEECH RECOGNITION USING DISCRIMINANT FEATURES

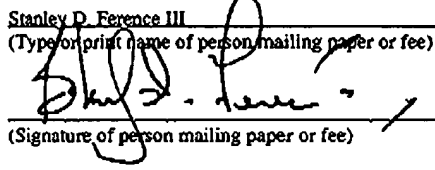
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-identified application.

1. **Extension of Time**

- ☐ No extension of time is needed.
- ☒ Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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2. **Submission Required Under 37 CFR 1.114**

- ☐ Previously submitted  
☐ Please enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.  
  
☒ Enclosed  
☒ Amendment/Reply  
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

3. **Miscellaneous**

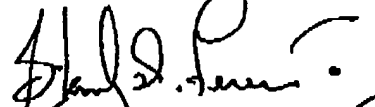
- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

4. **Fees**

- ☐ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the RCE fee.  
  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510**.  
  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510**.

Respectfully submitted,

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